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BAUER TO KICK OFF AREA FOOD DRIVE SATURDAY AT LOCAL MEIJER

SOUTH BEND – In an effort to build public awareness that hunger is a year-round problem, State Rep. B. Patrick Bauer (D-South Bend) and Meijer are joining forces in a food drive to benefit the Food Bank of Northern Indiana.

On Saturday (February 12) at 10:30 a.m., Bauer will make the first donation at a food drop at the Meijer store located at 5020 Grape Road.

Collection boxes will be at all Meijer stores in the South Bend-Mishawaka area on Saturday, February 19. All donations then will be turned over to the Food Bank of Northern Indiana. Donated items must be non-perishable.

"Citizens are often very generous during the holiday season in donating food to the hungry," Bauer said. "I think this food drive, keyed around Valentine's Day, serves as a good reminder that food is needed year-round for the hungry. I have great hopes for high participation in this endeavor to feed our community.

"It is natural for people to want to help the homeless and hungry in November and December," he added. "Through this program, we want to make it clear to people that homelessness and hunger are problems that are faced throughout the year. In the spirit of the Valentine's Day season, I am hoping local residents will take part and give generously."

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